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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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08/11/2007: Ronnie, SM7DKF will be active from Mauritius Island (AF-049) as 3B8/SM7DKF between November 8-24th. This will be a holiday style operation, with activity on the usual IOTA frequencies mostly SSB and perhaps also digital modes. QSL direct to home call, with SASE (see QRZ.com). Further info at: www.sm7dkf.se/index-info.htm [RSGB IOTA]

08/11/2007: Adolfo, EA7TV will be active as CT/EA7TV/P from Culatra Island (EU-145, AL-001 for the Portuguese Islands Award, WLOTA LH-0144), November 8-11th. He plans to operate on 10-40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

08/11/2007: Andy/DL5CW and Marina/DM5YL will be active from the island of Anguilla (NA-022), November 8-26th, CQWW DX CW Contest included. Probably their callsigns will be VP2EDL and VP2EDM, and they plan to operate mostly CW (Andy) and RTTY/PSK31 (Marina) on the HF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

10/11/2007: Jos? Antonio/EA8ARG, Luis/EA8AY and ?ngel/EA8BFH will be active November 10-11th as EG8FDA from the Anaga Lighthouse (FEA D-2820, ARLHS CAI-001, TWLHD WLH EA8-002, WLOTA LH-1276, WW Loc. IL18WN) on Tenerife Island (AF-004, DIE S-012), Pontevedra (DME 38038), community of Galicia. They plan to operate on the HF bands as well as on 6 and 2 metres. QSL via EA8NQ, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at: ea8arg.ure.es/eg8fda/ [425 DX News]

10/11/2007: Patrick, F8DYD/p will be QRV November 10th from the Castle (DFCF 86-038) and Mill (DMF 86-020) of Ch?teau-Larcher (CP 86370), canton de Vivonne (DDCF 86-29), Department Vienne/86, Province of Poitou-Charentes (DPF 19). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F8DYD]

10/11/2007: This weekend (November 10-11th), at the time of the festival of St-Martin, the section Pierre-Pertuis will be QRV using the call HB9XC/p from the castle of Porrentruy (DCS JU014), canton of Jura (DCSR-JU014 rare!) with the operators Marc/HB9ONN, Christophe/HB3YMM and Michel/HB9DLO. Beginning of the activities will be Saturday morning on 80m then successively on the other bands according to propagation, all day November 10th until midday November 11th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [HB9DLO]

10/11/2007: There will be an operation from the rare Matera Province of Italy on November 10-11th using the callsign I7ALE/7 or IK8SHL/7. Operations will be on CW with some SSB possible. Activity will be good for the WAIP award. [OPDX]

10/11/2007: Andrea, IK1PMR and Claudia, IZ1GLO/K2LEO will be touring South America between early November and early December. They plan to take part in the major CW/RTTY contests, with CW/RTTY on the WARC and low bands on week-days. Their tentative schedule is the following -
10-11 November WAE RTTY: CW2C (multi) or K2LEO/CX & IK1PMR/CX; 17-18

November LZ DX: IK1PMR/LU & K2LEO/LU (requested); 24-25 November CQWW CW: ZP0R (op IK1PMR); ZP6/IZ1GLO RTTY operations; 01-02 December ARRL 160m: ZP0R (op IK1PMR); TARA RTTY: ZP6/IZ1GLO; 08-09 December ARRL 10m: CW2C (multi) or IK1PMR/CX & K2LEO/CX. Updates will be posted on www.ik1pmr.com, as they will have Internet access from all locations. [425 DX News]

10/11/2007: Jim, KA3UNQ/p plans to be QRV November 10th from the Bloody Point Bar Lighthouse [aka The Coffee Pot] (ARLHS USA-063), located on Kent Island (USi MD-004S, Not IOTA), Queen Anne's County, Maryland. Activation times will be from 1330z - 1900z, starting on 80m, then 40m, 20m and finally 17m (at least 30 mins on 80 and 40 each). Frequencies: 3990, 7235, 14270 and 18130 kHz (+/- QRM). QSL via the info for KA3UNQ at QRZ.com. [KA3UNQ]

10/11/2007: Mustapha, DL1BDF will be attending a conference in Cairo organized by a local ITU section. The subject of the conference will be "How Amateur Radio can help handicapped persons to live". During his stay in Cairo, Mustapha will be active during his spare time from the SU0ARA ARC station between November 10-18th. [OPDX]

11/11/2007: Rick, N8OIL/4 will be QRV November 11-23rd from St. Simons Island (NA-058, USi GA-003S, WW Loc. EM91HF, Glynn County), Georgia. Look for activity on all bands, around the ususal Island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call, direct (Richard M Patterson, Box 911 Kent, OH 44240 USA) or by the bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

12/11/2007: George/K5KG (E51MMM) and Ron/KK9K (E51NNN) will be active November 12th through December 1st from the island of Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands. They plan to concentrate heavily on 160/80m. All QSL requests should go to K5KG. [K1XN & The GOLIST]

12/11/2007: Look for Pekka, OH2YY to be QRV from Reunion Island (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WLOTA LH-1812) as FR/OH2YY, November 12-15th. Activity will be on 40-10m SSB, using 100w with vertical and dipole antennas. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

14/11/2007: Dennis, WA2USA will be QRV November 14-20th as WA2USA/4 from Dauphin Island (NA-213, USi AL-002S, Mobile County), Alabama, including an entry in the ARRL Sweepstakes Phone Contest (November 18-19th). Look for activity around the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call, direct (Dennis Martin, 5577 Victoria Ct., Newburgh, IN 47630 USA) or via the bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

15/11/2007: A Dxpedition to Socorro Island (NA-030, WLOTA LH-2941, WW Loc. DK48MS), Revillagigedo (XF4) by the Federacion Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores, A.C. will take place between November 15th and December 15th, using the call signs 6E4LM, XF4YK and XF4YW. This expedition is to celebrate the 75th anniversary of FMRE. Team members include Carlos/XE1YK, Manuel/XE1VVD, Eduardo/XE2YW and Daniel/XE3RBA. They will be QRV 160-10m plus 50 MHz-144 MHz-430 MHz and Satellite activity using SSB, CW, and digital modes. The operators will focus on 160m and 6m, where they feel XF4 is most needed. QSL direct to XE2K (Jose Hector Garcia M., P. O. Box 73, El Centro, CA., 92244-0073, USA). QSL XF4YK via XE1YK (QRZ.com) and QSL XF4YW via XE2YW (QRZ.com). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW after all direct QSLs have been sent. Further information can be found at: www.6e4lm.xedx.org/ [FMRE]

15/11/2007: Wayne, W5KDJ will be QRV as C91KDJ from 50km north of Maputo (WW Loc. KG64IK), Mozambique, between November 15th and 28th. Activity will be mostly CW and possibly RTTY, with emphasis on 160 and 80 metres. He uses splits of 15 kHz up, listens on the outer edges most of the time (15 up: -.5 down and 15 up: +3.). Online log will be available after the DXpedition. QSL direct with SASE to W5KDJ. Further information at: www.tdxs.net/c91kdj.html [W5KDJ]

15/11/2007: Ann/KP2YL and Brian/KP2HC have relocated to California, but will visit the island of St. Croix (NA-106, WLOTA LH-2477), November 15-23rd. They will be QRV on HF SSB and CW throughout their stay. Brian will monitor 6m and take full advantage of any openings on that band. Ann will take part in a Multi-Op effort for the ARRL November Sweepstakes Phone from the NP2B contest station. QSL KP2YL and KP2HC direct only via their California address. QSL NP2B via NP2B. [425 DX News]

15/11/2007: Operators J?rn/DG5XJ, Bernd/DH1ND and J?rgen/DJ5HD will be active November 15-28th as PJ7/homecalls from the island of Sint Maarten (NA-105) and as FS/homecalls from the island of St. Martin (NA-105, WLOTA LH-0383). Look for activity on all bands and modes. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. Further info can be found at: www.dg5xj.de/dg5xjpj7.htm [RSGB IOTA]

15/11/2007: Oleg, RA4ST will be active November 15-17th as RA4ST/p from District MR-03 (Koz'moden'jansk City), Republic of Marij-El (MR). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RX3RC]

16/11/2007: Pekka, OH2YY to be QRV from Mauritius Island (AF-049) as 3B8/OH2YY, November 16-22nd. Look for him on be on 40-10m SSB, using 100w with vertical and dipole antennas. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

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LOOKING AHEAD

17/11/2007: Members of the Cherokee County DX Society, namely Doug/KI4PAU, Kenney/KF4HUD, Phil/K4PBW and Bob/KI4BDM will be active November 17th, using the club call W4CDX, from Godfrey's Island (USi AL-009L, WW Loc. EM74FE), located in Weiss Lake, Cherokee County, State of Alabama. Activity is planned for 40, 20, 17 and 10 metres. QSL via W4CDX (CBA). [USi]

18/11/2007: Bernd/VK2IA (VK9AA) and Jan/DJ8NK (VK9CCC) will operate from Cocos Keeling (OC-003) during November 18-26th. Actvity will be on 160-10m CW, SSB and RTTY. VK9AA will be active in CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) with QSL via DL8YR. VK9CCC via DJ8NK. [NG3K]

21/11/2007: Look for Dave, G3TBK to be QRV November 21-29th from the island of St. Vincent (NA-109, WLOTA LH-0492) as J88DR, CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) included as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside the contest he will be active on all bands, WARC included. QSL via G3TBK, direct or via the RSGB bureau. [NG3K]

21/11/2007: Hiro, JA6WFM will be operating as JF6YME/6 from Yoron Island [Yoron Shima] (AS-023, JIIA AS-023-013, WLOTA LH-0287), JA6 Amami Island Group, November 21-24th. Look for him on the HF bands using SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via the JARL bureau. [JI6KVR]

24/11/2007: Marko, N5ZO/OH6DO plans to be active from Swaziland signing 3DA0ZO during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a

Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via the bureau to Olli, OH0XX, or direct to his Panama address (Olli Rissanen, Apartado 0860-00432, Villa Lucre, Panama). [NG3K]

24/11/2007: Ismael, XE1AY will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) from Manzanillo, Mexico, as 6H1AY. No operating category was given. QSL via XE1AY (P.O. Box 440, 28200 Manzanillo, Colima, Mexico). [NG3K]

24/11/2007: Operators Dave/KY1V, Ken/N4OI and possibly others will be active from Hopewell, Jamaica (NA-097, WLOTA LH-0214) as 6Y1V in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. Note: experienced cw ops needed for M/S or M/2 category. QSL only to OH3RB, direct preferred but bureau ok. [NG3K]

24/11/2007: Tom, W2SC will be signing 8P5A from Barbados (NA-021, WLOTA LH-0999) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N. [NG3K]

24/11/2007: Andy, N2NT will be operating as V47NT from the QTH of V47KP on the island of St. Kitts (NA-104) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W2RQ. [NG3K]

24/11/2007: Larry, XW1A will be active from Vientiane, Laos, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a Single-Op entry. QSL via E21EIC. [NG3K]

30/11/2007: Look for Jeff, K8ND to be active as PJ2T from the island of Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) for the ARRL 160 Metre Contest (November 30th - December 2nd), as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or via K8ND. [NG3K]

06/12/2007: Look for Dave, KY1V to be active as 6Y1V from Hopewell, Jamaica (NA-097, WLOTA LH-0214) for the ARRL 10-Metre Contest (December 8-9th), as a Single-Op/High-Power/CW entry. QSL only to OH3RB, direct preferred but bureau ok. [6Y1V]

29/12/2007: Harry, JG7PSJ will be QRV December 29th to January 4th from Chichi-Jima (AS-031, JIIA AS-031-003, WW Loc. QL17CC), Ogasawara, using the call sign JD1BMH. Activity will be on 160-10m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JG7PSJ, direct (Hiroyuki Kawanobe, 1-4-1,Mikamine, Taihaku, Sendai, Miyagi 982-0826 JAPAN) or bureau. Further info and log search at: sapphire.ganko.tohoku.ac.jp:8080/jd1bmh/ [NG3K]

26/01/2008: Operator Valery, RD3AF will be active as EF8M in the CQ 160-Metre Contest (January 26-27, 2008) from the Canary Islands (AF-004), as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via RX3DU. [NG3K]

26/01/2008: Art, N3DXX will be active as VY2/N3DXX in the CQ 160-Metre Contest (January 26-27, 2008) from Prince Edward Island (NA-029, CIsA PE-001), as a Single-Op entry. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

06/02/2008: Ed, K3IXD will be active as ZF2XD from the Cayman Islands (NA-016, Grid EK99) between February 6-11th, including the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest (February 9-10th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low Power entry. Outside the contest look for ZF2XD on 80-10m SSB and digital modes. QSL via K3IXD, direct (Ed Steeble, 202 Huntington Rd, Summerville, SC 29483, USA) or by the bureau. [K1XN & The GOLIST]

25/06/2008: A six meter expediton is planned for June 25 - July 05, 2008, to Sable Island (CY0, NA-063, CIsA NS-004) by Pete/VE3IKV, Dick/K5AND, Chris/W3CMP, and Bill/W4TAA. The fixed 6m station in FN93 will have 800W to a 7 el beam up 40 ft and will be used for CW and SSB. A portabele 6m station in GN03 has 100W to a 5 el beam up 30 ft. Call sign and frequencies to be advertised later. Other references are: Sable Island - East Lighthouse (ARLHS SAB-001, TWLHD WLH CY0-001, WLOTA:0758, WW Loc. GN03CX) and Sable Island - West Lighthouse (ARLHS SAB-002, TWLHD WLH CY0-002, WW Loc. FN93XW). [F5NQL]

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SPECIAL EVENTS

07/11/2007: The Havering Radio Club will be operating special event station GB4HRC from Hornchurch, Essex, from November 7th as part of the club's ongoing 40th anniversary celebrations. The first activation was in March, 2007, and will continue at various times and dates until December 31st. QSL via the RSGB bureau, preferred. Further information can be found at: www.qrz.com/callsign/GB4HRC [GB2RS]

07/11/2007: Special event station II8MM will be active November 7-12th for the 3rd annual DX Meeting organized by the Mediterraneo DX Club (http://www.mdxc.org/meeting.asp). QSL via IZ8EPY. [425 DX News]

08/11/2007: Special event station HS35SEA will be aired November 8-11th for the the 35th SEANET Convention that will be held in Lampang, Thailand. QSL via HS1CKC. Full information on the convention can be found at: www.sabah.net.my/seanet/seanet_2007.htm [425 DX News]

17/11/2007: Special event station 8N1420T will be QRV by JARL between November 17th and December 16th to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Tsukuba-city (Ibaraki Prefecture, JCC #1420). QSL via the JARL bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

U.S.A. Special events can be found at: www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

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LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVATIONS -

08/11-11/11 CT/EA7TV/P: Culatra Island WLOTA:0144 QSL H/C (d/b)
10/11-11/11 EG8FDA: Anaga FEA:D-2820, ARLHS:CAI-001, WLH:EA8-002, WLOTA:1276 QSL EA8NQ (d/b)
10/11 KA3UNQ/P: Bloody Point Bar ARLHS:USA-063 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
12/11-15/11 FR/OH2YY: La Reunion Island WLOTA:1812 QSL H/C (d/b)
15/11-17/12 6E4LM: Isla Socorro WLOTA:2941 QSL XE2K (d)
15/11-28/11 FS/DG5XJ: St. Martin Island WLOTA:0383 QSL H/C (d/b)
15/11-28/11 FS/DH1ND: St. Martin Island WLOTA:0383 QSL H/C (d/b)
15/11-28/11 FS/DJ5HD: St. Martin Island WLOTA:0383 QSL H/C (d/b)
15/11-23/11 KP2HC: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL QRZ.com
15/11-23/11 KP2YL: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL QRZ.com
15/11-17/12 XF4YK: Isla Socorro WLOTA:2941 QSL XE1YK (d)
15/11-17/12 XF4YW: Isla Socorro WLOTA:2941 QSL XE2YW (d)

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All operations on Vlad, UA4WHX's last trip are now OK for DXCC credit. These include but may not be limited to:

5X1VB -- Uganda
9U0VB -- Burundi
9X0VB -- Rwanda
D20VB -- Angola

D60VB -- Comoros
J20VB -- Djibouti

Other operations include:
3DA0VB -- Swaziland
5R8VB -- Madagascar
A25VB -- Botswana
C91VB -- Mozambique
ST2VB -- Sudan
Z2/UA4WHX -- Zimbabwe
V51VV -- Namibia
OD5/UA4WHX -- Lebanon

73 es DX!
Bill Moore NC1L
DXCC Manager [K1XN & The GOLIST]
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Motorola buys Yaesu
November 5, 2007 -

Motorola USA has announced its intention to launch a tender offer to acquire a controlling interest in Vertex Standard Co, Ltd. Vertex Standard is the parent company of Yaesu. Motorola will own 80 percent of Vertex Standard; Tokogiken, a privately held Japanese company, controlled by current president and CEO of Vertex Standard Jun Hasegawa, will retain 20 percent, forming a joint venture. The total purchase price for 80 percent of the outstanding shares on a fully diluted basis will be approximately US $108 million. [W1AW]
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Digital Voice Dongle Project -

Moe AE4JY is working on a project that could allow PC's to send and receive D-STAR Digital Voice.

The project is to create a small board that when plugged into a PC USB port, will provide an interface to a DVSI digital voice VOCODER chip.

The idea is to be able to use a PC and soundcard and listen and talk to a D-Star voice data stream over the internet.

Other uses would be to create a soundcard program that would implement the G4GUO HF digital voice modem or just to use as a low bit rate vocoder for VOIP.

Digital Voice Dongle
http://www.moetronix.com/dvdongle/

AE4JY Ham Radio pages
http://www.moetronix.com/ae4jy/ [Southgate ARC]
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Exciting news from the Adventure Radio Society -

The Adventure Radio Society (ARS) is breaking new ground. We are moving from our traditional Web site to a new home: the ARSQRP Wiki.

If you've never participated in a wiki before, you are in for an amazing experience.

The wiki:
- Features a clean, intuitive layout that is a pleasure to use.

- Allows everyone to instantly become a commenter and contributor to a wide range of interesting outdoor and radio topics.
- Makes it easy to publish an article on any radio or outdoor topic of your choosing, with an impressive range of authoring tools, including tables, graphics, plug-ins, and formatting.

When you visit the wiki, you will also see that we have re-emphasized ARS' commitment to collegiality and community building. There is now less of an orientation on top-of-the-heap contesting, and more of a focus on sharing remarkable experiences in the outdoor and technical realms.

Please bookmark the following URL. All you need to do is click it, and you are instantly admitted in the arsqrp wiki, with full rights as a contributor.

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Spartan Sprinters, please use this URL to report your experiences. Don't use the old log submission form, because it doesn't work anymore.

Welcome!

Russ Carpenter, AA7QU and Richard Fisher, KI6SN
Founders of the Adventure Radio Society. [Southgate ARC]
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ
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